

**MINUTES OF:** State Community Collaborative  
**CHAIRPERSONS:** Joel Rosch and Pat Solomon  
**LOCATION:** Child Advocacy Institute

**DATE:** March 8, 2002  
**START TIME:** 8:30 a.m.  
**END TIME:** 10:30 a.m.

NAME	PRESENT	NAME	PRESENT	NAME	PRESENT
Al Deitch, DOA-YA&I		Jennifer Mahan, MHANC	x	Sandra Sink, DSS	x
Austin Connors, ARCCFS		Jennifer Sullivan, NASW		Stephanie Nantz, GCC	
Beth Melcher, NCAMI		Joann Haggerty, CAI	x	Steve Shore, NCPS	
Beverly Hester, WCH	x	JoAnn Lamm, DSS-CSS	x	Susan Whitten, DJJDP	x
Brad Trotter, DHOH-DMH		Joel Rosch, CCFP		Tara Larson, DMH	
Carol Duncan-Clayton, NCCCCP		John R. Hayes, F.United		William Hussey, MHPC	
Carol Robertson, DMA		John Tote, MHA		<b>OTHERS:</b>	
Carol Tant, WCHS		Kirstin Frescoln, AOC		Judie Ritchie, MHA	x
Carolyn Wiser, DMA		Lana Dial, AOC		Laura Weber, MHA	x
Cheryl Waller, CSHS		Larry Hayes, DJJDP		Miriam Saxon, AOC	x
Chuck Harris, DSS	x	Lee Lewis, DMH-SA	x		
Connie Hawkins, ECAC		Lynda Richard, DMH-DD			
David Horowitz, TPC		Mark Ezzell, GCC	x	<b>CFS Staff</b>	
Diann Irwin, DPI	x	Martin Pharr, DJJDP	x	Don Herring	x
Donn Hargrove, DJJDP	x	Michael Schweitzer, DJJDP		Joan DeBruyn	
Elizabeth Brown, DMH	x	Michelle Zechmann, GCC		Linda Gunn-Jones	
		Pat Solomon, F.United	x	Mark O'Donnell	
		Robin Huffman, NCPA		Stephanie Alexander	x
Jan Hood, AOC		Sally Cameron, NCPA		Susan Robinson	

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/FINDINGS	ACTION (By whom and when)
(1) <b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b>		
(2) <b>TA/Regional Meeting (Questions and Answers )</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Handouts for discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TA Questions</li> <li>Draft Policy Guidance #2</li> </ul> </li> <li>Policy Guidance is embedded in answers to questions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roles and Responsibilities are embedded in answers to questions also</li> </ul> </li> <li>"At Risk" replaced with CTSP in the document.</li> <li>Regional Collaborative refer to two different things in some areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Collaborative for multi-county area</li> <li>Regional Support structure for multi-county area</li> </ul> </li> <li>What is a Regional Collaborative? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Call it instead a Multi-County Community Collaborative?</li> <li>Why not leave "regional" out of the name?</li> </ul> </li> <li>Put a definite definition in Policy Guidance.</li> <li>List of Community Collaborative and their makeup needed.</li> <li>Legislation should say what the expectation is for each Department staff person. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There's nothing in the Law/Legislation about regional staff or regular meetings.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Policy Draft handed out. Members of the Collaborative were asked to take with them, read it over, and give feedback.</li> <li>Resend the list for the CC and their meeting places, dates, and time.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How many Regional Collaboratives are there in MH/DD/SAS? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There are 5 and 3 are active (2 still forming).</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Cannot make happen immediately</li> <li>• Appeal through regional process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dispute resolution instead of appeal as appeal is a formal process in MH/DD/SAS, DMA and other Divisions/Departments</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Will change with implementation of State Plan with LMEs (Local Management Entity)</li> <li>• Emphasis on TA/support function of Regional Collaboratives</li> <li>• Don't spoon-feed regional staff – let them find solutions to disputes that arise. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If they cannot solve, send up to State Collaborative</li> </ul> </li> <li>• When does collapsing of some of the other groups begin? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Everything should not/will not be done at one time – maybe gradual process</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Community Collaborative are free to organize in various ways</li> <li>• Bring to State Collaborative level issues that they cannot solve locally or regionally.</li> <li>• How should the structure be? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Collaborative</li> <li>• Regional Collaborative</li> <li>• State Collaborative</li> </ul> </li> <li>• How to communicate between State/Regional <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Let RCs develop this.</li> <li>• SC - Principles should be put in the hands of the Regional Staff</li> </ul> </li> <li>• How? When? Where? Decisions should be made. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to deal with the decision-making?</li> </ul> </li> <li>• What is structure for next Regional Meeting?</li> <li>• Look over questions – send feedback</li> </ul> <p><b>AUTHORITY and ACCOUNTABILITY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Legislation needs to be more specific. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Need to talk with DHHS heads about the real authority and purpose of the SC, RC and CCs.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• What are the issues? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Define what is medically necessary, flexible funding, Wraparound funding</li> <li>• Need education and training</li> </ul> </li> <li>• What do we do now because we are not getting a Legislative fix immediately? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Empower Regional Staff/TA people</li> <li>• Need an advisory body to take issues back to Mental Health heads.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Elizabeth Brown spoke on statements in the answer document <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expenditure and potential pay-back responsibility rests with the Area Programs, so final authority rests here for financial decisions.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
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<b>(3)</b>  <b>Do we need a designated Division/Department for each of the following:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training</li> <li>• Screening</li> <li>• Reporting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This item was tabled until the next meeting.</li> </ul>	
<b>(4)</b>  <b>Plans for next Meeting/agenda</b>	<b>Do we need a designated Division/Department for each of the following:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training</li> <li>• Screening</li> <li>• Reporting</li> </ul>	